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SUBJECT: CODEL MAGNUSON: SFRC VOTE ON RADIO FREE EUROPE
AND RADIO LIBERTY (RFE/RL)

- 1. PLEASE TRANSMIT SUBSTANCE OF PARAGRAPHS TWO THROUGH FOUR TO WHITE HOUSE LIAISON OFFICER THOMAS KOROLOGOS FROM DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MARSHALL WRIGHT:
- 2. IN VIEW OF STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE WILL MEET JULY 10 OR 11 TO TAKE ACTION ON S. 1914, WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR IMMEDIATE EFFORT TO HAVE SENATOR SPARKMAN AUTHORIZE A TELEGRAM GIVING HIS PROXY TO SENATOR HUMPHREY ONE OF THE TWO PRINCIPAL CO-SPONSORS OF THAT BILL.
- 3. BILL IS ADMINISTRATION PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A FIVE-MAN BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING TO SUPERVISE GRANTS TO RADIO FREE EUROPE AND RADIO LIBERTY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RADIO BROADCASTING. IT IS A TWO-YEAR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AUTHORIZATION, REQUESTING \$50.3 MILLION FOR FY 1974, OF

WHICH \$31.6 IS FOR GRANTS TO RFE, \$18.3 FOR GRANTS TO RL, AND \$.3 FOR THE BOARD. (FYI. SPARKMAN IS AWARE OF BOARD PROPOSAL AND RECENTLY ACKNOWLEDGED A LETTER ABOUT IT FROM ED BARRETT, ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION. THE LETTER STATED HE HAD

SUPPORTED THE RADIOS OVER THE YEARS.)

4. IN ADDITION TO PRINCIPAL CO-SPONSORS PERCY AND HUMPHREY, OTHER SFRC MEMBERS CO-SPONSORING ARE JAVITS, MCGEE (WHO ALREADY HAS GIVEN PROXY TO PERCY) AND GRIFFIN (WHO GAVE GENERAL PROXY TO AIKEN TO VOTE WITH ADMINISTRATION ON RFE/RL ALTHOUGH AIKEN OPPOSED TO ADMINISTRATION BILL). PELL, MUSKIE, SCOTT, AND PEARSON ARE SYMPATHETIC. FULBRIGHT IS EXPECTED TO GET SOME SUPPORT FROM MANSFIELD, CHURCH, SYMINGTON, CASE, AND AIKEN WITH ARGUMENT THAT EUROPEANS SHOULD PAY MAJOR SHARE OF RADIOS' COSTS AND RFE/RL FUNDS CUT SHARPLY. RUSH

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